

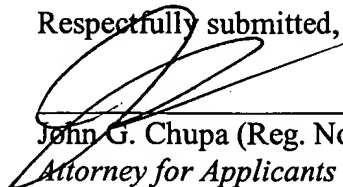
REMARKS

The Applicants' undersigned attorney asserts that all of the pending claims include limitations that are not disclosed or suggested by any of the prior art of reference. Namely, none of the prior art disclose or suggest that one half of the mirror is planar and that portion is distal to the vehicle and that one half of the mirror is curved and that this curved half is proximate to the vehicle. The Examiner's prior combination of a round "walleye" type mirror (Fellmeth) with a curved mirror disclosing a curved/planar relationship which is opposite to that claimed (McCord) does not teach toward nor render obvious the novel division of a rear-view mirror into halves, one half planar, the other half curved. Nor does the art of record disclose or suggest the novel placement of score line upon a curved surface of a mirror, where the score line is placed between the portions which provide a true measure of distance and those which provide a false measure of distance.

Additionally, the Applicants have included a new method claim which includes the novel steps of aligning the new score line with the rear end of the vehicle. None of the references cited disclose or suggest this score line and none of these references disclose or suggest a methodology for aligning this score line with a portion of the vehicle.

For all of the above reasons, the Applicants' undersigned attorney respectfully asserts that the pending claims overcome the prior art of record in the pending Patent Application. If the Examiner has any further questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (248) 865-9588.

Respectfully submitted,



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